

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF DELTA
Public Meeting Room A
Delta Township Administration Building
7710 West Saginaw Highway
Lansing MI 48917

TOWNSHIP BOARD COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2015

I. CALL TO ORDER –

Supervisor Fletcher called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL –

Members Present: Supervisor Kenneth Fletcher, Clerk Mary Clark, Treasurer Howard Pizzo, and Trustees Doug Kosinski, Jeff Hicks, and Dennis Fedewa.

Members Absent: Trustee Karen Mojica

Others Present: Manager Brian Reed, Economic Development Coordinator Ed Reed, Community Development Department Director Mark Graham

TRUSTEE FEDEWA MOVED TO EXCUSE TRUSTEE MOJICA FROM THE JUNE 8, 2015 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING.

TRUSTEE HICKS SUPPORTED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED 6-0.

III. SET/ADJUST AGENDA –

TRUSTEE HICKS MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

TRUSTEE KOSINSKI SUPPORTED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED 6-0.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT –

Clerk Clark stated that she received a phone call from a food truck owner from Mt. Pleasant regarding the vendor ordinance in Delta Township. Several food truck owners have now requested that Delta Township consider updating the vendor ordinance to include specific guidelines for food trucks.

A discussion ensued among Board members to determine whether or not adding a food truck section to the vendor ordinance would be a viable option for the Township.

Clerk Clark reminded the Board that any approved vendors are listed on the main page of the Township's website, currently there are no approved vendors.

V. MANAGER'S REPORT –

Mr. Reed stated that he spent his first week with staff members from the Township departments, and intends to meet with the Sheriff's Department, Library, and Community Development the week of June 8, 2015.

Mr. Reed, Clerk Clark, and Ms. Marwede attended a FOIA training session on Thursday, June 4, 2015 at Thrun Law Firm.

There have been 61 weed notifications sent to property owners in Delta Township from the Engineering Department.

VI. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

1. 2015 Employee Retreat Feedback Presentation – Jeff Anderson

Mr. Anderson presented to the Township Board the employee feedback from the retreat held on February 16, 2015. This feedback included employee and Township strengths, things that could be improved upon, suggestions for employee appreciation, and suggestions for future employee retreats.

2. Proposed Utility Rate Increase – Jeff Anderson

Mr. Anderson stated that he had a discussion with the Utility Committee on Thursday, June 4, 2015 regarding the 2015 rate increase. A recommendation was made to increase sewer rates 1.0%, and water rates 3.0%, effective for the June 2015 billing cycle.

Mr. Anderson reviewed the cost analysis for the Township Board, including current water and sewer rates for surrounding jurisdictions, Delta Township's rate increase history, and the Township's utility expenses.

The proposed rate increases would cost the average residential user \$.98 per month, or an additional \$11.76 per year.

Delta Township expects to spend \$8 million over the next six years to make necessary repairs to the waste water treatment plant.

3. Closed Session

TREASURER PIZZO MOVED THAT THE TOWNSHIP BOARD ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION AT THE REQUEST OF THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER UNDER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT (ACT 267 OF 1976), SECTION 15.268 (F) TO REVIEW THE POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE.

TRUSTEE KOSINSKI SUPPORTED THE MOTION.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: SUPERVISOR FLETCHER, CLERK MARY CLARK, TREASURER PIZZO, TRUSTEE FEDEWA, TRUSTEE KOSINSKI, AND TRUSTEE HICKS.

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TRUSTEE MOJICA

THE MOTION PASSED 6-0. TOWNSHIP BOARD MEMBERS BEGAN CLOSED SESSION AT 6:48 PM.

TRUSTEE HICKS MOVED TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:20 PM.

TREASURER PIZZO SUPPORTED THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED 6-0.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Fletcher adjourned the meeting at 7:34 PM

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KENNETH FLETCHER, SUPERVISOR

MARY R. CLARK, TOWNSHIP CLERK